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# The Elba Clipper

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## Flood Task Force begins long-range planning

by Ferrin Cox, publisher

The Governor's Disaster Recovery Task Force agreed last Thursday to begin drafting the long-range recovery plan necessary to qualify flood victims for funds for federal buy-out and other mitigation options as soon as monies become available.

Meeting in Elba Thursday afternoon, the 15-member task force appointed by Gov. Fob James first heard reports on assistance already received by both families and local governments from FEMA and SBA. Approximately 1,200 families in South Alabama have received direct financial assistance totaling more than \$1.8 million.

The status of the \$5 million special emergency disaster relief appropriation from the U. S. Congress and plans on how to best utilize these monies for the benefit of all flood victims were reviewed. The task force has visions of using these expected funds and the more than \$1 million of state funds recently appropriated by the Alabama Legislature to restore the integrity of the levee and furnish needed relief for those outside the levee. Details of an Elba CDBG grant application of \$250,000 to buy out and move low to moderate income families were explained.

EMA Director Lee Helms announced that Gov. James continues his strong support of the effort by agreeing Wednesday, April 29th, to assist Elba and Geneva with matching funds on the Corp. of Engineers' levee improvement project already ready for the bid-letting process.

Elba Mayor James Grimes also expressed appreciation for the cordial and positive reception task force members received at a recent Washington hearing on Alabama disaster recovery funding. Grimes said the trip was productive largely because of genuine interest of the Alabama congressional delegation in Washington, both in the House and the Senate.

FEMA and state planning officials have agreed to meet with local citizens in a workshop to formulate the long-range recovery plan needed to carry out the assigned objective of the task force. Added segments of the plan will be a downtown revitalization plan and support for local industries. The addresses of approximately 250 Elba residents who showed initial interest in a possible buy-out will be mapped as an effort to plot the long-range plan, neighborhood by neighborhood.

## \$5 million approved for levee repairs

Money to assist Elba in recovery from and prevention of another flood disaster continues to accumulate. Last week a joint U. S. Senate/House Conference committee agreed to a special \$5 million appropriation to begin repair of the Elba levee. The money was in the Disaster Supplemental Appropriations Bill signed into law by President Bill Clinton.

In a news release last Thursday, Senator Richard Shelby, a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee and also a member of the conference committee, said, "This funding is critical to begin the process of rebuilding the levee and water system in Elba. Certainly, more money is needed, but this funding will serve to put that project on the right track until additional funding can be secured. I am very pleased that my colleagues recognized this need and agreed with me that this initial funding must be provided."

The bill provides up to \$5 million for the repair and reconstruction of the Elba levee. Additionally, the bill includes cost sharing language, that will allow funding from other federal sources to be used to satisfy the non-federal share requirement.

Shelby admitted he would have preferred to have retained the original language in the Senate bill which funded both the Elba and Geneva levees for \$25 million, but this is a good first step. He said he is committed to continuing to work to see that both levee projects receive the necessary funding.

## State OKs \$1.1 million for planning, upgrade

The Alabama legislature has approved funds for the City of Elba, earmarked for levee repair. The money was included in the General Fund budget passed by the legislature on the final day of the 1998 regular session. The budget was signed into law by Governor Fob James.

Sen. Dwight Adams and Rep. Garret Moore said last week that they were successful in getting \$100,000 allocated for planning the levee upgrade and a \$1 million conditional appropriation to be used in actual repair of the levee and related waterways. They explained that even though the \$1 million is conditional, they have been assured the money will be available to fund the work.

## County residents may apply for possible buy-out funds

Rural Coffee County residents, who are in a flood zone, may apply for a possible federal buy-out program. Coffee County Commission chairman Robert Stephens said this week that residents who are interested should visit the Commission office in New Brockton.

Stephens explained that the county will take the information from those who are interested and apply for the necessary federal funds to complete the buy-out. Residents will have the option of accepting or declining any offer after appraisals have been made and they know the exact amount being offered in the buy-out. Stephens repeated that federal guidelines limit the offer of a potential buy-out to flood zone residents in nationally declared disaster areas.

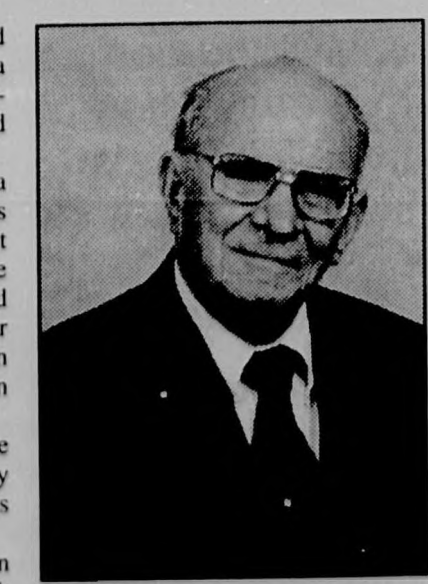
## Longtime Elba doctor dies

Dr. John Mason Kimmey, beloved Elba doctor, died Monday in the Elba Nursing Home. Dr. Kimmey celebrated his 95th birthday with friends and family last Saturday.

He was born on May 2, 1903, in a log cabin in the Damascus Community near Elba and spent almost his entire life in and around the Elba area. Both his father and Confederate War veteran grandfather are buried in the Elba Evergreen Cemetery. His late wife and eldest son are also buried this cemetery.

Kimmey was a graduate of the University of Alabama and Emory University medical school. He did his medical intern work in Atlanta.

He began his medical practice in the Birmingham area during the depth of the Great Depression. He reported working 10 to 12 hours a day, but very few people had money to pay their medical bills. He later returned to



Dr. John Mason Kimmey school at Harvard University on a Rockefeller Foundation scholarship and earned a master's degree in public health.

With that degree, he returned to Alabama and worked as a county health officer, first in Chilton County and then in Calhoun County. He volunteered in the U. S. Navy in World War II as a medical officer. Kimmey went ashore at Okinawa with the invasion troops and remained there for the duration of the war with Japan.

Following his discharge from the Navy, Dr. Kimmey returned to Calhoun County for a short time before returning to Elba to practice medicine in his home town.

His practice in Elba included delivering thousands of babies, even building a medical clinic in the mid-1950s, because there was no local hospital, to better serve the mothers and babies who were his patients. Until the clinic was built, he delivered the babies in the homes of the parents. Pictures of children of all ages adorned the walls

of his office as memories of the many babies he delivered during his long and successful career. He enjoyed telling stories of late night trips, on rural Coffee County unpaved roads, to the homes of expectant mothers during the early years of his medical practice. The doctor fondly remembered of many amusing situations he encountered on these trips.

When he retired, Dr. Kimmey sold his clinic building to the City of Elba for use as a public library. Even after closing his office practice, Dr. Kimmey still served the residents of the Elba Nursing Home for several years until his own health forced him to stop this last bit of his beloved career.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning from Hayes Funeral Home Chapel. See page 3 for obituary information.



A FESTIVAL OF FLIGHT... was celebrated by the students of New Brockton Elementary School. Students and teachers alike enjoyed a day of fun and learning last Friday, May 1, 1998. The day began with the inflating of a 100-foot hot air balloon and its ascension into the sky with a teacher aboard. During the day, students visited centers set up throughout the campus, enjoyed parachute play, making spaceships, eating space food, learning about famous aviators, touring a helicopter and meeting pilots. The day's activities were concluded with a fly-by by several ultra light aircraft shortly after the M.A.S.T. helicopter from Ft. Rucker lifted off. Also, all 450 students released helium-filled balloons and watched them rise higher and higher into the air as they drifted away from the campus. The day's activities were made possible by grants obtained from the Coffee County Board of Education, and the Aerospace Educator's Foundation. Festival Chairperson, Ann Allison, said, "The day was a tremendous success!"

## Brockton council to roof old store

by Marvin Mellwain, Editor

The New Brockton Town Council agreed Monday to allow Mayor Britt Lee to accept the "best-value-for-the-money" bid on repairs to the roof of the old Jr. Food Store. The building was recently donated to the town by its owner. The council has made no decision on future use of the building.

The council had decided during their monthly work session to go with a pitched roof in lieu of going back with the original flat roof design.

New Brockton has received \$4,500 from the State of Alabama for capital improvements to the town's properties. These monies will be applied to the cost of the roof repairs.

The mayor advised that he would inform several of the council members of the bid amounts before accepting any of them. The motion to go ahead with the project also gave the mayor the option of rejecting all the bids.

While on the subject of money, the council approved a request from the recreation board for \$2,000 from the general fund.

This amount, along with \$1,000 from the rec board, will be applied to the loan on the construction of the new ballfield in the complex.

Mayor Lee updated the council on the "road repairs" brought about by the March flooding.

He told council members that the town had received an additional \$9,000 from FEMA (Federal Emergency management Agency).

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MEMBERS OF THE Elba High School Journalism staff traveled to Montgomery recently to visit the WSFA studios, where they completed a tour, visited with broadcasters, and taped an introduction to "Today in Alabama," which aired Tuesday, April 21. For complete details of the trip, see Page 8 of today's edition of The Elba Clipper.



# OPINION

## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Elba is rebounding from the March flood and with a bang. At first the town seemed to be at a stand still, but with what seems almost like an explosion, things are moving forward again. Possibly it is due to the influx of millions of dollars of flood insurance money which are hitting town, or maybe it is the endurance and "suck it up" attitude of Elba folks beginning to shine through. Put those two together and look out! Whatever the reason, we see more homes and businesses getting back to pre-flood standards (or better), at least two new businesses have already located in downtown Elba and several potential buyers have gotten a bit miffed over their failed efforts to buy certain pieces of downtown real estate. Add to that the emerging plans for a grocery supermarket opening within the next couple of months and it becomes time to cheer!

It has been inspiring to watch Mike and Debbie Jared and Matt Brunson as they practiced law during the day and worked until the wee hours of the morning and on weekends doing the remodeling work on their office. Debbie said they know firsthand that remodeling is hard work and also that she now has instant bonding with any person who bemoans the fact rooms are not exactly square, etc. They did get some help from family and friends, but this trio did the vast majority of the work themselves... and they did good! Drop by for the nickel tour, but don't tell them we sent you.

On a personal note, The Elba Clipper staff is back on Buford Street after almost two months of temporary quarters! New computers are due in the last of the week. Desks and things will be added one piece at a time, mainly because yours truly wants to be sure the purchases are right and if we err, let it be on the side of caution. These ongoing equipment investments are expected to take us into retirement... whenever that might be.

It was good news late last week to hear that the special disaster funding bill coming out of Washington included \$5 million earmarked for Elba levee work. Put that in with the \$1 million from our friends in the Alabama legislature and the pot begins to get big enough to make a difference. As with the promised funds for buy-outs, it will probably take some time for these monies to get here, but on the bright side, there is still more expected from Washington in next year's budget. Gov. Fob James has also stepped in to help Elba and Geneva with the matching funds on the levee work gotten by former Sen. Howell Heflin during his last days in office. This work will get underway by a contractor working for the Corp of Engineers very soon.

Us Elba United Methodist Church members are moving closer and closer to getting back in our main church building. The carpenters started this week with the remodeling work on the sanctuary. Up until now most of the work has been done by church members and other volunteers. It is amazing what mountains can be moved when people work together.

We had a short visit with Larry Grantham Friday evening. He is home after spending several weeks in a Dallas hospital. We had gone to visit him in Dothan earlier in the day but he had already gone home. The nice folks at the information desk tried to apologize for him being gone, but they were assured that his comments were the best news coming out of Dothan all week long!

A bunch of Michigan State students have been protesting a recent ban on drinking at a popular on-campus site used for tailgate (and drinking) parties before, after (and probably during) football games. Michigan State topped a recent national study on student alcohol related arrest. Personally, we think those kids should spend mommy's and daddy's money on education, not drinking. If they don't like the no drinking rules, just get out of that mean of school and get a job!

Dr. John M. Kimmey died early Monday morning. That man touched the lives of a whole lot of people during his long and successful medical career. He was also a great story teller. While he will be missed by many, those of us who knew him have many fond memories to cherish forever and ever.

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## 'Solution' causes damages

THE ELBA CLIPPER  
417 W. Buford  
Elba, Alabama 36323

Dear Sir:

We live in the West End Canal Subdivision or Beaver Dam Creek proximity. We ask your serious consideration concerning our homes and property. We are not being considered in any way, form, or fashion regarding the protection of our homes.

With the recent flood of March 8, pumps were placed on the Beaver Dam Creek bridge pumping water directly to our property, exacerbating an already dangerous situation. This was no "Act of God." Our subdivision was "thrown to the flood water" to supposedly save other properties, which it did not.

We would ask that another "solution" be proposed other than the Beaver Dam Creek pumping station. We are part of Elba, too; we

pay taxes like everyone else and we expect to be treated equally.

We propose that an engineer be brought in, not from this area, to look over the entire situation and offer a reasonable answer for EVERYONE, not just a selected group. If protection for everyone is not considered we will face this flood situation every few years. WE NEED A SOLUTION NOW - NO MORE PROMISES - WE NEED ACTION!

Promises about diversion of the levee to compensate for everyone were made after the floods of 1975, 1990, 1994, and now 1998. When will these promises be kept? How many more floods will we have to endure before we see results of these promises? Where are the funds for stabilizing Elba from future floods going?

We have lived in Elba for many, many years. This is our home. We would also like to know about the

"promising ideas about the levee" that Mr. Ferrin Cox mentioned in his articles. Also I do not think Mr. Cox would find his article concerning "folks outside the levee living in tree houses" very amusing if it concerned his home.

It does not seem quite fair that the city pumped water to our property which helped cause huge holes. The city brought slab to help fill this in, but the dirt had to be paid for by the property owner. This seems to add insult to injury.

Again, we do not think it would be an unreasonable request to bring an engineer from another area to look over the entire situation and offer a reasonable solution for everyone in Elba, including the "folks outside the levee."

Sincerely,  
BOBBY BRUNSON and  
"17 folks outside the levee"

## ELBA POLICE REPORT

APRIL 27th THRU MAY 3rd, 1998

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, April 27, 1998, investigated the following incidents: two harassments, two menaces, one death investigation, three harassing communications, five thefts of property, two DULs, one public intoxication, one criminal trespass, one missing juvenile, one assault, one stolen vehicle recovered, one assault, and one burglary.

The following arrests were made: one for public intoxication and one for harassment.

Traffic citations issued for the week were as follows: speeding, two for DUL, one for switched tag/one for reckless driving, one for no driver's license, one for leaving the scene of an accident, and one for an improper tag.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:  
MONDAY, APRIL 27 - River Stage - 6.89 feet (6:17 a.m.); Wreck reported on Claxton Ave. (7:27 a.m.); Rescue run to business on Claxton Ave. (5:08 p.m.); Disturbance (domestic) reported at Mr. Henry's (8:00 p.m.).

TUESDAY, APRIL 28 - River Stage - 6.60 feet (6:42 a.m.); Alarm at SouthTrust Bank (8:10 p.m.); Routine activity.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29 - River stage - 6.52 (7:01 a.m.); Wreck reported on Taylor Mill Road (7:19 p.m.); Routine activity.

THURSDAY, APRIL 30 - River stage - 6.52 (6:20 a.m.); Routine activity.

FRIDAY, MAY 1 - River stage - 6.68 feet (6:38 a.m.); Fire department dispatched to vehicle fire on Davis St. (12:08 p.m.); Fight reported in Morrow Village (4:13 p.m.); Disturbance (loud music) reported in Powell's Trailer Park on Caroline St. (8:21 p.m.).

SATURDAY, MAY 2 - Possible robbery reported on Martin Luther King Dr. (4:30 a.m.); River stage - 6.75 feet (6:18 a.m.); Alarm at Elba True Value Hardware on Reese Ave. (3:18 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Smith Ave. (7:42 p.m.); Disturbance reported in Powell's Trailer Court on Caroline St. (10:08 p.m.).

SUNDAY, MAY 3 - River stage - 6.19 feet (6:05 a.m.); Burglary reported on Ann St. (9:50 a.m.); Alarm at Mr. Henry's (2:00 p.m.); Alarm at Elba True Value on Reese Ave. (5:40 p.m.); Disturbance (domestic) reported in Brunson's Trailer Park on U. S. Hwy. 84E (3:48 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Co. Rd. 201 (3:04 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Claxton Ave. (5:40 p.m.).

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CIVIL AIR PATROL - Every Monday 7 p.m. - Elba Airport - Driscoll hangar

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COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION - 2nd and 4th Monday - Community Room in Farm Center Complex of New Brockton

LIONS CLUB - 2nd and 4th Tues - 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Center

ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thurs. - 5:30 p.m. - Sup't. Office

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RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd and 4th Tues. - 8 p.m. Elba

MASONIC LODGE 170 - 1st and 3rd Monday of each month 7 p.m. - 7 p.m. Band Room @ Elba High School

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER - Mon-Fri. 8:12 noon & 12:30 - 4:30 New Brockton @ Farm Center Complex 984-5858

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COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN - 3rd Wed. Noon- Colony

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## Round and about with Eria Belcher 897-2006

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"Thinking of you, praying for you..." J.D. Carpenter, Johnnie Daniels, Doris Waters, Rev. Freddie Flowers, the Holloway, Edwards, Moore families, Lovie Hooks, Hanna Coleman, Lizzie McDonald, Annie Pearl Bullard, Timothy Thigpen, Minnie L. Thigpen, Tommie M. Faison.

\*\*\*MAY BIRTHDAYS: Mary Nell Prince - May 8; Milton E. Belcher - May 10; Ernestine Kelley - May 25; Estella Williams - May 26.

\*\*\*Annual Matrons' Day at Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Rt. 4, Elba, Rev. J.R. Parks, pastor, will be held May 17, at 2:30 p.m. Theme: Phil. 4:13. Devotional - Mt. Calvary and visiting officers; music - Greater Sardis Church; welcome and occasion - Celestine Kelley; talk - Mrs. Prinecille Kelley; Missionary president - Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie F. Herron; Matrons' Pledge - Mrs. Lucille Edwards; challenge to matrons - Mrs. Barbara Cole; sermon - Rev. J.C. Fryer, pastor, Clay Hill Baptist Church, Coffee County Line and Greater Sardis Baptist Church, Clayton, Ala.; recognition of visitors - Mrs. Jessie Caldwell; mistress of ceremony - Mrs. Oneather Smedley

1950, May 1 - On this day Goodwyn Brooks becomes the first African American to win the Pulitzer Prize in Poetry for her book, "Annie Allen."

1855: On May 3, Macon B. Allen becomes the first African American formally admitted to the bar in Massachusetts.

1797: On this day, May 6, Prince Hall forms the first African American Masonic Lodge in the United States.

1925: March 8: A. Phillip Randolph organizes the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters after failing to achieve integration in the American Federation of Labor.

DAVID LONG-DANIELS  
David Long-Daniels is president of the Birmingham Board of Education. He also teaches classes on employment law and individual rights at the UA law school.

Long-Daniels was born "poor, out of wedlock, in a shotgun house,"

attending public schools in Crenshaw County, moving to Bramley High School in fifth grade. He was an athlete, but a "scholar-athlete," and "athletics earned me to college on a four-year ROTC scholarship."

He spent summers in New York with his mother, completing his sophomore year of high school there, returning to Bramley High for his junior and senior years.

Known as Long, he legally changed his name to Long-Daniels to recognize his father, at the request of his father who was dying.

He served in the Air Force, reaching the rank of captain, and while stationed in Valdosta, Ga., earned a master's degree in public administration from Valdosta State College.

After earning his law degree from Mercer University in Macon, Ga., he went to Birmingham where he has been an attorney since 1990.

Long-Daniels sought a seat on the Birmingham Board of Education in 1995, and is now the superintendent. He spends at least two Tuesday afternoons a month at

Home Chapel, with Rev. Campbell Sasser officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery, with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his wife: Betty Sue Hardy, Elba; his mother: Helen Gamble Hardy, Andalusia; grandmothers: Lessie Trammell, Elba, and Mildred Manning Morrell, Vernon, Fla.; step-mother: Betty Hardy, Samson; six sisters: Mary Hatcher, Elba; Sarah Bolling, Andalusia; Tammy Kroger, Bradenton, Fla.; Patsy Johns, Dothan; Martha Pryor and Barbara Hardy, Samson; four brothers: Bobby Hardy, Andalusia; David Hardy, DeFuniak Springs, Fla.; Danny Hardy, San Marcos, Calif.; Charles Preston Petty, Andalusia.

ROY SPEARS  
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# SCHOOLS



Graham Morrow

## Morrow wins poster contest

by: Amanda Campbell

State-level contest judges were drawn from the Alabama Department of Public Health staff in the Divisions of Injury Prevention, Chronic Disease Prevention, and Communications Design. Graham Morrow placed 2nd on the state level. All winning entries will be collected and put into a coloring book. Congratulations Graham!

## Top 10 essays selected for AEC

by: Lee English

The Alabama Electric Cooperatives (AEC) sponsors a research paper writing tournament each year. Every junior wrote a paper and turned it in to Mrs. Padgett. She selected ten of the papers that she thought were the best. The top 10 were: Emily Bryan, Laura Crowe, Bucky Carlile, Daniel Murdock, Justin Maddox, Anna Maddox, Daniel Ward, Elizabeth Stephens, Diana Jackson and Lee English. The top ten were scheduled to visit the AEC plant in Andalusia the week of the flood, but of course it had to be canceled. The group hopes the visit will be rescheduled soon.

## FFA attends career day

The Elba FFA participated in the Coffee County FFA Career Development Day at New Brockton on Tuesday, March 24. The Elba FFA was well represented with 25 members participating in the events. The events participated in were Forestry, Livestock, Land, Public Speaking, and Tractor Driving. The Elba Chapter placed 3rd in the county in Forestry, Land, and Public Speaking; 2nd in Livestock; and Hunter Hargrave placed 1st in Tractor Driving. Hunter will travel to Tractor Driving competition in the Tractor Driving Event. The Career Development Events are an important part of Agriscience Technology Education. They give the students an avenue for showing the skills they learn in the classroom and lab.

## Group tours WSFA studio

by: Marsha Mauldin

On April 17, the Elba High School Journalism staff traveled to Montgomery to visit the WSFA studios. After a brief discussion with Mr. Bob Howell, he took us to the offices of the news anchors, reporters, weathermen, and editors. There we met Beth Jett, Rich Thomas, and Ken Smith. Mr. Howell showed us the editing booths and then took us, in groups, to the master production room. He showed us another set used for things like cooking shows and large events. We then went back to the main set to watch "Live at Five" and the "Six O'clock Report." We taped an introduction to "Today in Alabama," which aired Tuesday, April 21.



## Tiger Tales



**Anna Head,**  
Editor

**Elizabeth Strong,**  
Assistant Editor

## Math-A-Thon raises money for St. Jude's Hospital

The Elba High School math department recently sponsored the Math-A-Thon program for all interested students. The Math-A-Thon is a meaningful, fun activity for students. It is a supplemental educational program which has been designed with the advice and assistance of professional educators, math teachers and curriculum specialists. Students work math problems in special Funbooks provided by St. Jude Hospital.

The goal of Math-A-Thon is to present a quality program for students which also benefits the life saving research of children's catastrophic diseases at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Math-A-Thon participants were asked to recruit sponsors (family, friends, neighbors) based on the number of problems (usually 200) the child attempted in the funbooks that were provided. Donations were also accepted.

Students who turned in \$35 or more received a t-shirt and a Six Flags admission ticket. If \$75 or more was turned in, the student also received a tote bag. The student with the highest total over \$100 received a jam bag.

The following students received a t-shirt: Matthew Farris, Amy Kirkland, Jennifer Dyer, Rory Vignola, Brandon Petty, Bobby Jo York, and Linda Gideon. Rory Vignola received a tote bag and the jam box. The total amount earned for St. Jude was \$440.25.

## First graders take field trip to Zoo World in Panama City

by: Tawana Rodgers

On April 19, the first-graders of Elba Elementary School traveled to Panama City, Florida. The two busloads of students traveled to Zoo World, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Lowery, Mrs. Jeffcoat, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Grider, Mrs. Pearce, and parent volunteers accompanied the students. The children enjoyed all areas of the zoo, but their most favorite area was the petting zoo. The first-graders enjoyed feeding the camels and the giraffes. It was an enjoyable and educational day for both the students and the teachers.

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•Band Director •Physical Education •Business Education •Social Studies •Mathematics •Science •English •Library Media Specialist •Gifted Education Teacher

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: An applicant must have a valid Alabama teachers certificate. Prior experience is desired, but not required. Area of certification, experience, and qualifications will be determining factors in selection.

The following employment procedures will be adhered to:

1. An application may be received from, and submitted to, the Coffee County School System at the following address:  
Coffee County Board of Education  
400 Reddoch Hill Road  
Elba, Alabama 36323  
(334) 897-5516

2. Applications will be accepted through Thursday, May 14, 1998, 12:00 noon.  
3. Initial screening will be conducted by the principal.  
4. Interviews for selected applicants will be conducted by the principal and/or superintendent.  
5. The superintendent will make recommendations to the Board for action.  
6. All applicants interviewed will receive written notification of action taken regarding the vacancy application.  
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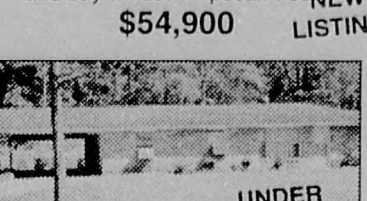
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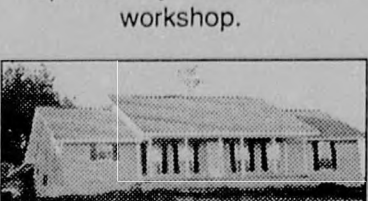
**1021 ASH ST.**  
1.77 AC +/- 2,455 sq. ft. Greenhouse, playhouse, sprinkler system. 26x42 workshop.



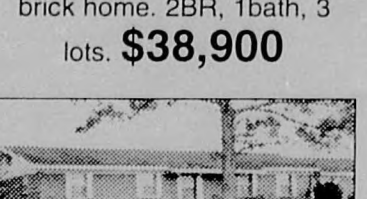
**NEVER FLOODED**  
332 Brunson St. 1,500 sq. ft. brick home. 2BR, 1bath, 3 lots.  
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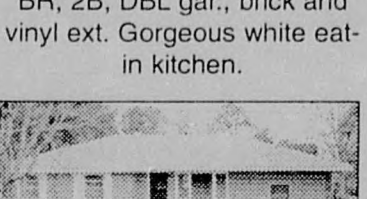
**New Construction**  
Wise's Mill, 1,500 sq. feet; 3 BR, 2B, DBL gar., brick and vinyl ext. Gorgeous white eat-in kitchen.



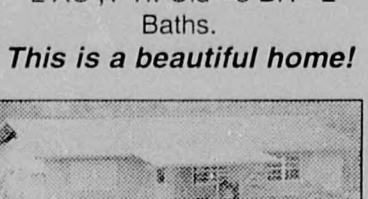
**Hwy. 125**  
2 AC +/- Old - 3 BR - 2 Baths.  
This is a beautiful home!



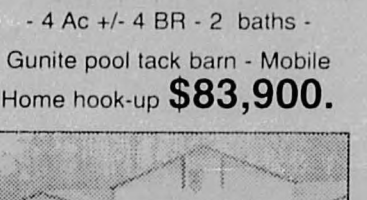
**PINE LEVEL**  
4 AC +/- 4 BR - 2 baths - Gunite pool tack barn - Mobile Home hook-up  
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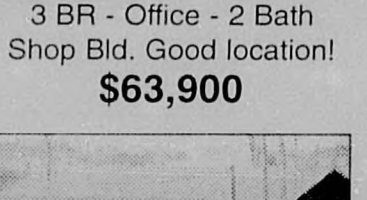
**108 Taylor Avenue**  
3 BR - Office - 2 Bath Shop Bld. Good location!  
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**NEW CONSTRUCTION**  
1 AC +/- 3 BR - 2 baths, metal roof - additional land available  
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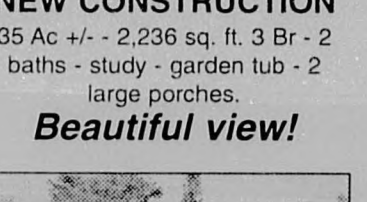
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35 AC +/- 2,236 sq. ft. 3 BR - 2 baths - study - garden tub - 2 large porches.  
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\$129,900 \$105,900



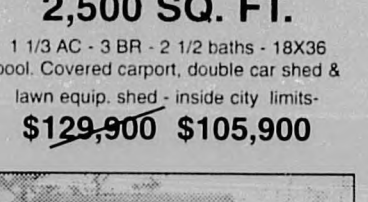
**2,500 SQ. FT.**  
1 1/3 AC +/- 3 BR - 2 1/2 baths - 18x36 pool Covered carport, double car shed & lawn exotic stone inside city limits.  
\$84,900



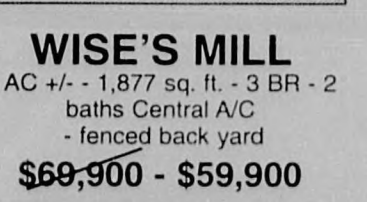
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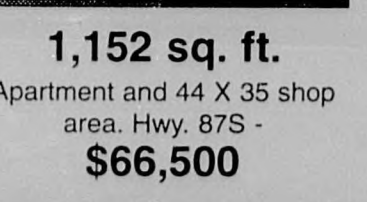
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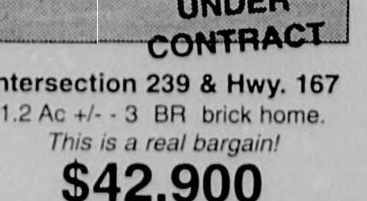
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**AUCTION** - ASSETS and real estate of Performance Rental & Supply, 1005 2nd Avenue, NW, Cullman, AL. Two parcels (one with 5,100 sq. ft. building offered with owner confirmation - rolling stock, equipment, tools and sell absolute. Tuesday, May 12, 10 a.m. Brochure 1-800-996-2877. Granger, Thurgood & Associates, Jack F. Granger #873.

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**IS/ CHARLES FREDERICK SESSIONS** Personal Representative 4-23, 30; 5-7chg

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
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**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA**  
ELBA DIVISION  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

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CASE NO. PC98-29

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 21st day of April, 1998, by the Honorable William O. Gammill, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

**IS/ BETTYE LEA SHELTON** Personal Representative 5-7-14, 21chg

**NOTICE OF ELECTION**  
I, Benjamin M. Moates, Sheriff of Coffee County, Alabama, hereby give notice that Tuesday, June 2, 1998 is the date for the Democratic and Republican primary in Coffee

## LEGALS

County, Alabama.  
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Dated this 30th day of April, 1998, **BENJAMIN M. MOATES** Sheriff of Coffee County, Alabama 5-7-chg

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**IS/ SHARON WALLACE MEEK** Personal Representative 4-23, 30; 5-7chg

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**IS/ BETTYE LEA**



## Council

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bringing the total to approximately \$22,000 to be used toward making repairs.  
Lee informed members of the council that the deadline for applying for a CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) grant for the walking trail had been missed.  
He also informed the council that after reviewing the plans for additional improvements to the town's sewer, it was decided that it was not feasible at this time to make application for a grant. This will be

reviewed again at a later date.  
A financial report for the first six months shows the town to be in "fairly good shape."  
"We'll still have to watch our funds, but we are in good enough shape that I think we can make it on the budget without any problems unless we have some unforeseeable problem," said Lee.  
Payment of the monthly bills totaling \$20,570.52 was approved by the council.  
The next New Brockton Town Council meeting will be held on June 1, 1998.

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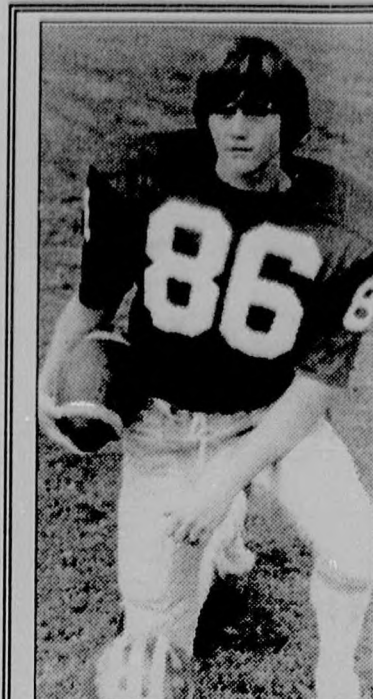
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## Kelleys have new daughter

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Kelley of Elba announce the birth of a daughter, Madelyn Brooke, on April 25, 1998, at Flowers Hospital.  
The new arrival weighed 7 lbs. 11 ozs. and was 20 inches long. She is welcomed home by twin brothers, Jason and Connor, age 4.  
Grandparents are Steve and Hazel Patton of Enterprise, and Everett and Irene Kelley of Elba.  
Mother and daughter are home and doing fine - as are proud grandparents!



In this birthday  
greeting

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no bloopers  
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mine

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## County reverses library decision

Cross Trails Regional  
Library won't get  
money from county

by Marvin McIlwain, Editor

The Coffee County Commission reversed action taken in a previous meeting concerning Cross Trails Library Service.  
Bottom line, local libraries and county commissioners do not want state-allocated funds leaving the state.

In Monday's meeting of the commission, the longest discussion took place on an item that was not even on the meeting agenda.

Commission Chairman Robert Stephens recognized Oliver Williams, chairman of the Enterprise Public Library Board, who had asked permission to address the commission.

Williams expressed concern over the action taken in the last commission meeting.

The commissioners were told at the last meeting that both public libraries in Elba and Enterprise would no longer be participating in the services provided by Cross Trails.

The commissioners had voted to draft a letter to the Alabama Public Library Service (APLS) requesting that Cross Trail Regional Library Service continue receiving the county's portion from APLS.

According to Williams, this action would cost the Enterprise library approximately \$8,000 in revenue annually. He noted that the library would also suffer a loss.

Williams went on to explain to

members of the commission that the Enterprise facility had already had an additional expense of \$8,000 due to the increase in minimum wages, and the City of Enterprise had cut their budgeted appropriation to the library by \$3,000.

He also expressed concern for the Elba library in that it was in the process of being rebuilt due to damage caused by the March flooding and could not afford to lose any funding either.

Williams expressed his belief that the Enterprise library and the Elba library could meet the needs of all Coffee County with the exception of the books-by-mail service provided by Cross Trails.

He commented that according to his findings, this service was being provided to 125 individuals in the county. He stated further that he felt the \$1,000 donated to Cross Trails by the county was adequate to pay for this service.

"What I'm asking this morning is that this decision that all have made be rescinded," said Williams.

Ms. Peggy Samuels, librarian of the Enterprise Public Library, told commissioners that the funds allocated from the APLS is \$1.18 per capita based on the county's population.

Previously, these state aid funds allocated by the legislature and administered by the APLS have been divided among the Elba and Enterprise libraries and Cross Trail Region Library Service.

Samuels expressed concern that the action taken by the commissioners in their last meeting would cause the local libraries to lose this much needed funding.

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## County gets road grant, Enterprise to build park

The State of Alabama, through its Industrial Access Grant Program (IA Grants) has agreed to fund two projects in Coffee County.

The two projects are as follows:  
1) \$111,200.00 to resurface Co. Rd. 114 between Co. Rds. 147 and 105, approximately 2.31 miles. This project will be done by the Coffee County Commission.

2) \$439,000.00 to build a new road in the Yancy Parker Industrial Park in Enterprise. This project will be done by the City of Enterprise.

Wayne Farms, Southland Foods, Inc. is located on Co. Rd. 114.

"I would like to thank the Governor and Highway Director Jimmy Butts for their willingness to help us here in Coffee County," said Rep. Garrett Moore.

"These two projects will have a very positive impact on the availability of jobs," said Moore.

"Progressive thinking by our county and city leaders made these grants a reality."



**LIBRARY DONATION.** Pictured above is Elba Mayor James E. Grimes making a presentation to Elba Librarian Doris Cooper (right) and Elba Board Member Charlotte Clark (left) a check for \$3,000.00. Mayor Grimes made the donation on behalf of the Judith B. (Brunson) Bullock Family Trust Fund.



Terrence Watford of Elba died Friday night when his Ford pickup collided with the GMC pickup shown below

## Man dies in Friday wreck

by Marvin McIlwain, Editor

A head-on collision between two pickup trucks near Elba took the life of one and seriously injured two others.

The crash occurred Friday night approximately one mile east of Elba's city limits on U. S. Highway 84.

An old model Ford pickup driven by Terrence F. Watford, 34, of Route 4, Box 129-6, Elba, appeared to have been on the wrong side of the road when it struck a 1992 GMC pickup driven by Felix A. Thompson, of Enterprise.

Tracy Robinson, 32, of Elba, was a passenger in the GMC pickup. She and Thompson were both transported to Elba General Hospital by units from Coffee County EMS and New Brockton Rescue Squad.

Watford was pronounced dead at the scene at 12:10 a.m. by Coffee County Coroner Marvin McIlwain. Reportedly, he was not wearing a seat belt.

Coroner McIlwain listed the preliminary cause of death multiple blunt force trauma. Watford's body was taken to the Alabama Department of Forensic Science Lab in Dothan for an autopsy.

Both Thompson and Robinson were transferred from Elba General Hospital to a Dothan hospital for further treatment of their injuries.

The accident was investigated by Alabama State Troopers Willie White and David McGowan.

The District Attorney's Office and the Elba Police Department assisted the troopers in the investi-



Felix F. Thompson and Tracey Robinson were injured in this vehicle

gation.

No charges have been filed in connection with the incident and it remains under investigation.

Fire and rescue units from Elba and New Brockton also responded to the scene and assisted in removing the victims from the vehicles.

Earlier in the day Friday at 1:16 p.m., there was a three-car crash in downtown New Brockton.

A car driven by Angelia Hill of Elba collided with a car being driven by Earl Dean Thomas of New Brockton.

The Hill car went on to collide

with a parked automobile owned by Douglas Smith of New Brockton.

Both Hill and Thomas were taken to Medical Center Enterprise by units from the New Brockton and Enterprise rescue squads.

Hill has since been arrested (Tuesday, May 12) and charged with DUI in connection to Friday's accident.

The investigation by the New Brockton Police Department is continuing.

In another vehicle-crash last week,

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## City's insurance claims top \$600,000

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council heard an update Monday night on the amount of flood insurance which has been received to settle March 8th flood damage claims on six city-owned buildings. These insurance funds do not include the monies paid to the city by FEMA for damages to roads, sewers and some equipment lost to the high waters. Neither does it include any emergency work done by the Corp of Engineers immediately after the flood. Another huge item of financial help to the City of Elba has been State of Alabama funds given by various state agencies, after approval by Gov. Fob James. Those have all been reported previously.

\*The total of \$609,634.40 is a fair amount in most incidents, according to Mayor James Grimes. He said they were still considering appealing the contacts award on the library. The estimated replacement

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## Bid OK'd for roof at station

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council on Monday night accepted the lone bid to reroof the downtown Elba police department building. Mayor James Grimes showed council members photographs made atop the building, showing the dilapidated condition of the roof. The council approved the new roof at a price of \$10,915 and expect work to be completed within the next three weeks.

The council also unanimously granted a special tax abatement status to a \$2 million expansion planned at Kelley Foods. The action was taken at the request of the Elba Industrial Board and applies to non-school property and sales taxes. Council members were told this action would play a large part in the Industrial Board's ability to sell the expansion bonds at an attractive price.

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## Area Happenings

**MISS ELBA PAGEANTS** The Elba Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the Future Miss Elba, Little Miss Elba, Junior Miss Elba, and Miss Elba Pageants. The Future Miss and Little Miss Pageants will be held Friday, May 15, 1998, at 6 p.m. in the Elba High School Auditorium. The Junior Miss and Miss Elba Pageants will be held Saturday, May 16, 1998, at 7:00 p.m. in the Elba High School. Admission: Adults - \$4 & Students - \$3.

**FLAG DISPOSAL** The 35th District of The American Legion will be conducting a Flag Disposal Ceremony on June 2, 1998, at The American Legion Post in Samson, AL. This ceremony is available to all posts within the district and each post will be collecting unseizable, worn and tattered U.S. Flags for proper disposal. Anyone

having an unseizable U.S. Flag and wishes to have it disposed of properly should contact any American Legion member in their area or call Veterans Service Officer Robert Lolley at 894-5858 or drop the flag(s) by the office in the County Complex located in New Brockton by Friday, May 29, 1998.

**ANNUAL FIELD DAY** The Elba Youth Training Center will hold its Fourth Annual Field Day on Saturday, May 23, 1998, from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**RETIRED TEACHERS MEET** The Association of Coffee County Retired Teachers and Support Personnel will meet on Tuesday, May 19, at 11:00 a.m. at Ryan's Steak House in Enterprise. The program will be memorials and installation of new officers.

**DONATION TO ELBA CEMETERY FUND.** Pictured above is John W. Sharpless (left), member of the Evergreen Cemetery Committee, accepting a check for \$3,000.00 from Elba Mayor James E. Grimes. The mayor made presentation to Evergreen Cemetery on behalf of the Judith B. (Brunson) Bullock Family Trust.